of Personnel Management in accordance with the provisions of this subpart.

## Subpart C—Basic Pay for Employees of Temporary Organizations

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#### §534.301 Purpose.

This subpart provides rules for determining the rate of basic pay and locality-adjusted rate of basic pay for employees who are appointed to positions in temporary organizations and compensated under 5 U.S.C. 3161. Such temporary organizations are established by law or Executive order. This subpart does not provide authority to establish other forms of compensation and benefits not authorized by title 5, United States Code, or another specific statutory authority.

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# § 534.302 Coverage.

This subpart applies to employees in executive level and staff positions in temporary organizations. Such employees are not subject to the provisions applicable to General Schedule employees covered by chapter 51 and subchapter III of chapter 53 of title 5, United States Code.

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# §534.303 Basic pay for executive level positions.

(a) Rates of basic pay for executive level positions of temporary organizations may not exceed the maximum rate of basic pay established for the Senior Executive Service under 5 U.S.C. 5382. Therefore, the highest rate of basic pay for executive level positions of temporary organizations, not including any applicable locality-based comparability payment under 5 U.S.C. 5304, may not exceed the rate of basic pay for level IV of the Executive Schedule.

(b) Employees in executive level positions of temporary organizations must be paid locality payments in addition to basic pay in the same manner as employees covered by 5 U.S.C. 5304. Local-

ity-adjusted rates of basic pay for executive level positions may not exceed the rate of basic pay for level III of the Executive Schedule.

### §534.304 Basic pay for staff positions.

- (a)(1) Rates of basic pay for staff or other non-executive level positions of temporary organizations may not exceed the maximum rate of basic pay for grade GS-15 of the General Schedule under 5 U.S.C. 5332, excluding any locality-based comparability payment under 5 U.S.C. 5304.
- (2) In establishing rates of basic pay for staff and other non-executive level positions of temporary organizations, the head of a temporary organization must give consideration to the significance, scope, and technical complexity of the position and the qualifications required for the work involved. The head of a temporary organization must also take into account the rates of pay applicable to Federal employees who have duties that are similar in terms of difficulty and responsibility.
- (b) Employees in staff and other non-executive level positions of temporary organizations must be paid locality payments in addition to basic pay in the same manner as employees covered by 5 U.S.C. 5304. Locality-adjusted rates of basic pay may not exceed the locality-adjusted rate of basic pay for grade GS-15 of the General Schedule under 5 U.S.C. 5304, for the locality pay area involved (not to exceed the rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule).
- (c) Notwithstanding the limitations in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section, the rate of basic pay and locality-adjusted rate of basic pay for a senior staff position of a temporary organization may, in a case determined by the head of a temporary organization to be exceptional, exceed the maximum rates established under those paragraphs. However, the higher payable rates may not exceed the applicable maximum rate of basic pay or locality-adjusted rate of basic pay authorized under this subpart for an executive level position.

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